

**The Parochial Church Council
of the Parish of Yatton Moor**

**Annual Report and Financial Statements
for the Year ended 31st December 2025**

**St John the Evangelist, Kenn
All Saints' Kingston Seymour
St Mary the Virgin, Yatton**

Yatton Moor Parish

Administration Details

For the year ended 31 December 2025

The Parish of Yatton Moor comprises of three churches – St John, the Evangelist, Kenn, All Saints, Kingston Seymour and St Mary the Virgin, Yatton. The churches are part of the Portishead Deanery and the Diocese of Bath & Wells. The Parish of Yatton Moor is part of Yatton Moor Team Ministry, which includes the parish of Cleeve with Claverham.

Yatton Moor Parochial Church Council (“PCC”) is a corporate body established by the Church of England and operates under the Parochial Church Councils (powers) Measure 1956.

Charity Number:	1132177
Address:	Administration Office, St Mary’s Church, Church Road, Yatton, BRISTOL, BS49 4HH
Clergy:	Rev’d Denise Calverley (appointed 30 July 2025 as Priest in Charge)
Clergy, non-PCC members:	Rev’d John Angle Rev’d Avril Gaunt Rev’d Richard Taylor
Lay Chair:	John Dickinson
Reader:	Mike Cooke
Treasurer:	Karen Baber, FCA
Churchwardens:	John Dickinson (St Mary’s) Julia Bush (St John’s) Hilary Landers (St John’s) Sue Thomas (All Saints’) Judy Seward (All Saints’)
Deputy Churchwardens:	Caroline Holden (St John’s) Jackie Harris (All Saints) (non-PCC member) Sue Lang (All Saints) David Lumkin (All Saints) (non-PCC member)
Associate Church Wardens:	Jonathan Kelly (St Mary’s) (non-PCC member) Ann Long (St Mary’s) Siân Lewis (St Mary’s)
Elected Members:	Siân Lewis (St Mary’s) Mike Cooke (St Mary’s) Val Dickens (St Mary’s) Di Kirwan (St Mary’s) Ann Long (St Mary’s) Caroline Holden (St John’s) Ann Holtham (St John’s) Leonie Allday (All Saints’) Sue Lang (All Saints’) Tania Kinane (All Saints’)

Yatton Moor Parish

Report of the PCC

For the year ended 31 December 2025

PCC Secretary & Team Administrator:	Clare Attrill
Bankers:	NatWest Bank Lloyds Bank
Independent Examiner:	Elaine Coe, FCA
Architects:	Noma Architects and John Redfern
Membership:	Appointment of PCC members is governed by and set out in the Church Representation Rules and the guidance for the Trusteeship produced by the Church of England. The PCC has met on 5 occasions in the year. A representative from Yatton Methodist Church is entitled to be an observer on the PCC and there is a reciprocal arrangement with Yatton Methodist Church.
Standing Committee:	This committee is empowered to transact PCC business between its meetings and comprises the Churchwardens, Clergy and Treasurer.
Finance Committee:	Chair: Karen Baber, Treasurer Secretary: Margaret Ball Members: Barbara Bachtold, Julia Bush, Mike Cooke, John Dickinson, Robert Manley & Sue Thomas, This committee monitors income and expenditure, budgets and makes recommendations on rates of pay, fees and charges.
Other Committees:	Each Church has its own committee to deal with specific Church issues.
Electoral Roll Officer:	Jill Earle

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING
Held in St Mary's Chapter House, Yatton
On Wednesday 7th May 2025 at 7.30pm

PRESENT: 21 parishioners including the Churchwardens.

1. **OPENING PRAYERS AND WELCOME:** John D welcomed everyone and Mike Cooke opened the meeting with a prayer.
2. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Apologies were received from 19 parishioners.
- 3 **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 15th May 2024.**

Following correction to spelling of David Lumkin's name, it was proposed and seconded that the minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting of 15th May 2024 be accepted as a true record of proceedings. This was agreed by all those who had been present at last year's meeting.

4 **ELECTIONS:**

4.1 **Lay Chair:** It was agreed that John Dickinson would Chair this meeting.
It was also agreed that a Lay Chair of Yatton Moor PCC would be elected at each PCC meeting.

4.2 **Lay members of Yatton Moor PCC:**

All Saints: Leonie Allday, Tania Kinane, Sue Lang.
St Mary's: Siân Lewis, Mike Cooke, Val Dickens, John Dickinson, Di Kirwan & Ann Long.
St John's: Ann Holtham.

The above named were all Nominated, Proposed and Seconded as PCC representatives for the next year and duly elected by all those present.

4.3 **Deputy Churchwardens:**

The following were nominated to serve as Deputy Churchwardens for the next twelve months:

St Mary's: None

St John's: Caroline Holden.

All Saints': Jackie Harris, Sue Lang and David Lumkin.

It was proposed that all those nominated be elected as Deputy Churchwardens to serve for the next 12 months. The motion was passed unanimously.

4.4 **Assistant Churchwardens:**

St Mary's: Sian Lewis, Ann Long and Jonathan Kelly,

All Saints: None

St John's: Jenny Pascoe

4.5 Fabric Officers at St John's and St Mary's:

It was proposed and agreed that John Ball would be appointed as the Fabric Officer at St John's Kenn and Bernard North would be appointed as the Fabric Officer at St Mary's for the next 12 months. The motion was passed unanimously.

5 THE ELECTORAL ROLL: RECEIPT OF REVISION

Jill Earle (*Electoral Roll Officer, Parish of Yatton Moor*) spoke:

"I am able to report that this year saw the formation of a new Electoral Roll, which happens once every six years. The number of parishioners who returned their forms by the deadline, and are therefore on the new roll, is **154**.

Although I am not required by law to add any further information, members may be interested to know that this number is made up of **78** whose principal place of worship is St. Mary's Yatton, **37** whose principal place of worship is St. John's Kenn, and **39** whose principal place of worship is All Saints' Kingston Seymour.

I can also report that **111 members (72%)** were resident within the parish, and **43 (28%)** were non-resident, the latter almost entirely living within the adjoining parishes in Cleeve, Claverham, Congresbury, and Clevedon.

In addition, I can report that, since the deadline, two further forms have been received and will be added to the roll, and also that – very sadly – one member has died.

Finally, I would like to express my thanks to Clare and Rosemary in the office, who have worked tirelessly in administering the creation of the new role as well as keeping the records up-to-date throughout the year."

The new Electoral Roll was accepted: Proposer Peter Kesby, seconder Sian Lewis and agreed by all.

6 SAFEGUARDING REPORT

Sue Thomas read the following Safeguarding Report to the APCM, which had been circulated prior to this meeting:

It has been a busy year with the two parishes. We have continued to meet as a team of Parish Safeguarding Officers from the five churches on a bimonthly basis. These meetings give us support encouragement and as well as opportunities to share information.. We hope that this team work will continue whilst we become two benefices and the Group is formed, and we look forward to working with our two new Priests in Charge.

The PCC has adopted the Diocesan safeguarding initiative 'Promoting a Safer Church', which declares the church's commitment to safeguarding.

Bath and Wells Safeguarding Team continues to provide excellent advice, expertise and training. We are well supported by them, which gives us confidence in contacting them when we need help.

Parish Safeguarding Dashboard

The Parish Safeguarding dashboard is providing a vital tool enabling us to monitor and manage our safeguarding practices effectively, including tracking training, reporting concerns and ensuring all our safeguarding measures are up to date.

The PCC are given safeguarding updates from our Dashboard in the safeguarding reports to meetings.

The Parish has recently joined the Dashboard Hub, enabling us to have even further use of the valuable tool.

Training

The four Parish Safeguarding Officers are booked to renew their Leadership Training in July. This has to be updated every three years. In the Autumn we plan to offer training and update for those in our parishes who need to complete their own level.

Disclosure and Barring Service

DBS renewals now take place under ThirtyOne:Eight, a service used by our own Diocese of Bath and Wells as well as many others. It is a Christian organisation which is one of the largest providers of criminal record checks in the country.

There have been 5 renewals in the last twelve months, all returned with no blemishes.

Ann Long (St. Mary's, Yatton)
Julia Bush (St. John's, Kenn)
Sue Thomas (All Saints', Kingston Seymour)

Jeannie Osmond (St Barnabas, Claverham and Holy Trinity, Cleeve)

Thanks were expressed to the Safeguarding Team.

7 RECEIPT OF THE ANNUAL REPORT 2024

The Annual Report & Financial Accounts to 31st December 2024 had been circulated to the congregations of all three churches prior to the APCM. Thanks were expressed Mike Cooke for putting the Annual Report together and Karen was thanked for amalgamating this with the Financial Statements.

It was proposed by Sue Thomas, seconded by Sue Lang that those present at this APCM receive the Annual Report for the year ending 31st December 2024. The motion was passed unanimously.

8 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL AFFAIRS OF THE PARISH 2024

Karen's notes to accompany the report are attached.

Karen thanked Barbara Bachtold and Michael Earle for their help and support. Thanks were also expressed to all those who help by counting money in each church, and Robert Manley for looking after Planned Giving. Karen was thanked for all her hard work.

9 RECEIPT OF THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2024

It was proposed by Lesley Farrall, seconded by Mike Cooke that those present at this APCM receive the Financial Statements for the year ending 31st December 2024. The motion was passed unanimously.

10 APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER FOR 2025

Elaine Coe (nee Aplin) is willing to continue to act as our Independent Examiner.

All those present agreed that Elaine Coe be appointed as Independent Examiner for the Accounts and Financial Statements for the following year for Yatton Moor PCC.

11 ANNUAL REPORT ON THE FABRIC, GOODS AND ORNAMENTS OF THE CHURCHES

11.1 St John's Church, Kenn

Julia Bush read their written Churchwardens' report:

“St John's CW Report for APCM 2025

Rev Fran Binding retired in February, her leaving was preceded by a flurry of meetings at which she gave relevant members of the congregation information on the tech she had set up during her incumbency with us. We have kept up with *most* of the things she introduced, and have appreciated them, particularly the screen and sound system which has enhanced our services. John Ball is now training up other people to use the system when he is away. John retired as CW at the last APCM but remains as Fabric Officer, for which we are very grateful. Hilary Landers became our new CW at the APCM, Hooray!

When the Vacancy Advertisement in the spring failed to find a successful Applicant, the congregation at St John's took a deep breath, kept calm and carried on. By this time the monthly 'All Together' service was being led alternately by the laity and Rev John Angle. Congregants contributed to the groups set up to move us from a Team to a Group Ministry. Meanwhile the Steering Group met regularly in the New Room, mainly to arrange the service rotas, a job that previously I thought 'just happened' but is in fact hard and intricate work.

2024 saw only Routine Maintenance of the church building, we are due a Quinquennial Inspection in the autumn of 2025. Ever so quietly, a little progress was made on our plans for a new, more welcoming door and porch arrangement.

Throughout the year we have been supported by retired and visiting clergy. Remarkably we have not lost a single 'routine service' and for this we thank Avril, John Angle, Warren, Jeremy Hellyer, Bishop Alaister, Leonie and Jenny Pascoe for keeping our ship afloat. We have been pleased to join our friends at All Saints for a monthly HC service and they reciprocate. Festival services have been memorable, of note was the Passover meal on Maundy Thursday, at which Rev John Angle explained a wealth of facts about that first Last Supper.

St John's would also not have survived without the support of a resolute band of villagers and worshippers who spend a huge amount of time doing small tasks, thereby preventing them from turning into great big expensive tasks. The Altar Guild remains indefatigable, I know if I go into church at any time it will be spick and span, the weekly flowers are lovely, festival arrangements spectacular. Then there are the unglamorous jobs, putting out the bins, opening, shutting and checking the toilet daily, ditto the church building. Also mowing and strimming the churchyard. For all this a huge 'Thank-you' is due.

I'm glad to report that after nearly 20 years, the New Room is now being used more frequently, by the Steering Group, Bible Studies etc. and some village committees. It was built as a village resource, we hope it will be a bridge between the different parts of our community. This is also the case for the Posada, where Mary and Joseph spend December seeking hospitality for the night. We could start in October it's so popular.

Over the year our numbers have kept up. We have said some Hellos and some Goodbyes. We are still here, what's next? God knows.”

11.2 All Saints' Church, Kingston Seymour

Sue Thomas read out the following Churchwarden's report:

The Log Book Terrier and Inventory are here and available for inspection.

A vacancy can provide growth as well as a challenge. All Saints' has been going through a time of change and sharing of responsibility, which is hugely exciting to witness. There is a real sense of working as a team together with offers of help coming from unexpected sources. Our group of 5 churches have had the opportunity of working more closely together again.

As with all our churches, volunteers and helpers are the backbone of what we are and do, whether its fundraising, helping in the churchyard, flower arranging, bell ringing or the daily little tasks, to the vitally important, but often unnoticed, care and concern shown by a phone call, visit, card through the door and prayer.

Socially the Burns Night, Fleece Fayre and Cream Teas have continued to be very popular and provide far more than income for the General Fund. They are supported by folk from our three churches and by many from outside our church family, an opportunity for outreach and to show 'church' in a wider sense. We also hosted a lovely Village Christmas Lunch and Mothering Sunday Roast Lunch too.

The Friends of All Saints have had their own programme of fund raising activities, enabling them to make a very generous contribution to our Chancel and Vestry roof repair - a far bigger project than had been anticipated. We are indebted to the PCC for supporting us with this financially too, and are currently working on a programme of appeals to pay the deficit. The project has provided its own blessings with our joint Architect, John Redfern, the new DAC buildings adviser, Mark Lidster, and Simon Harris, our local builder, establishing a really good working relationship together - a really positive outcome as we move forwards.

The Q.I. Report shows a number of smaller items to tackle over the next five years, another bonus.

Sue Lang has continued to organise the Numbers Club for the General Fund - a simple and easy way of contributing £4,000 plus over 12 months. Thank you to her and to Steve Dixon, our Parish Clerk, for being our independent organiser and adjudicator of the draw each month.

The Bell Ringers are a strong team and now have three novice ringers, all from the village, joining them regularly, an exciting development. The church is unlocked daily and it always warms the heart when there is evidence left of it having been visited and used.

Services during the vacancy have largely been led by John Angle, Avril and Leonie. We are truly indebted to them and our other visiting clergy and are blessed with the ministry they share. Avril particularly has covered a great deal of pastoral care and occasional services across all our churches - thank you Avril for the care, support, love and time you give. Leonie has shared her gifts of leading Bible Study sessions and All Together worship, her thoughtful reflections greatly valued and appreciated and we thank her too, for all she adds to our worship.

Now we await Denise and all she will bring to our church families and communities, praying that we will recognise her gifts and share her vision for us as we move forwards together.

11.3 St Mary's Church, Yatton

John Dickinson read out the following Report:

It has been an interesting year.

The overall direction of travel has continued to be positive, with a few new faces arriving and, sadly a rather greater number departing. The overall numbers in church attendance have, as a result declined by about 10.

The team continue to pick up the necessary tasks, though there is not a lot of slack in the system. Nonetheless we are blessed with a Can-do attitude among most of our number so we have always been able to cover the needful.

During the year we have been ably helped out by John Angle, Richard Taylor and Bishop Mike in keeping our Eucharists covered, and additional support has been supplied by Avril Gaunt and Ian Hubbard in presiding over weddings and funerals.

We held 8 funerals in the church in 2024, 4 Baptisms and 1 wedding. We have had a further 5 funerals, 1 baptism and 3 weddings so far this year with another 2 funerals planned.

I note in particular the passing of Alan Attwood, reader of the parish, and latterly Alan Guard, whose skills are evidenced around the church and Chapter House. Both are keenly missed.

In terms of community outreach, Warm Welcome has continued weekly and although the fledgling young music group has ended, ties with the local school remain strong and vibrant and we have had the pleasure of hosting them for special Christmas, Easter and Leavers Day celebrations. We also regularly lead assemblies at the school with our Methodist friends, through the Open the Book initiative. Yatton School remains a vital part of our church life.

Coffee mornings continue to flourish, and we have opened the church for Spring and Autumn festivals, which were well supported, and had a particular celebration of Bells with an open tower, which we will be repeating.

We seem to have sorted out the electrical problems bugging the alarm system and have replaced the old Mixer with a new one controlled wirelessly. There have been a few issues (relating mostly to the microphones and signal dropout, rather than Mixer function, but we are getting on top of them.

We had a boiler failure over the early part of the New Year which caused a few issues. Nigel Plumley reports that the boilers are getting to the stage where it won't be possible to keep them going just through prayer power and we have initiated a survey of the church and Chapter House which will recommend possible longer-term solutions which will be reduce future running costs and help us be somewhat greener.

The roof has been given a full survey again and NOMA architects are drawing up a remedial action plan which we expect to land before summer. We are reasonably confident that the current issues of moisture ingress can be resolved *relatively* simply. This is a prerequisite for any work on in-church heating

Finally, we are all looking forward to the installation of our new priest in-charge, Denise Calverley, at the end of July. Not the end of a journey but rather a beginning. We look forward, in faith, to the journey.

12 ANNUAL REPORT ON THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE PORTISHEAD DEANERY SYNOD

Sian Lewis read the following report:

"We met, as usual, four times in 2024; two of the meetings (June and November) were deanery-wide meetings, open to anyone to attend, while the March and September meetings were full Synods.

March – This Synod was held at the Church of the Ascension, Keedwell, and saw the approval of the 2023 Deanery accounts as well as a talk on "Caring for Creation & Net Zero, by Dan Wills, the Net Zero Enabler for the Diocese.

June – The venue for this Deanery-wide meeting was St Mary’s, Walton. It was a very well-attended meeting and we heard a fascinating talk from Bishop Mike Hill on “A letter to the Church today”, which gave much food for thought and was followed by an interesting Q&A session.

September – The September Synod took place at St George’s Church Hall, Easton, and was on the subject of Neurodiversity when the speakers were Mike Haslam, at the time the Diocese’s Chaplaincy Adviser, and our own Lindsay Smith. This was a very useful talk with group work designed to make us think about those attending our churches with neurodiverse needs.

November – The venue for the November Deanery-wide meeting was St Peter’s Portishead and saw a presentation by Sean Doherty, the Principal of Trinity College, Bristol, called “Money, Money, Money, is it a 'Rich Man's World?'”, which made us think hard about world economics.

We have enjoyed having Assistant Diocesan Secretary Peter Evans as our Deanery Accompanier. He has been present at most Deanery Mission and Pastoral Group (DMPG) meetings and Synods. Claire Horton, the Bath Archdeaconry Deanery & Parish Adviser, has also been very helpful. The DMPG has met every two months throughout 2024 while the Deanery Leadership Team has met every month. We want to express our gratitude to the clergy and officials of all the deanery churches for their hard work and commitment during this difficult year, especially to those churches which have been in vacancy.”

Rob Norman (Lay Dean),

Astrid Tiesema-Samsom (Co-Area Dean), Rob Eastwood Dewing (Co-Area Dean)

It was suggested that the open meetings be more widely advertised.

13 LAY CHAIR’S COMMENTS /CHAIR'S REPORT/COMMENTS

John Dickinson said that the churches had been incredibly resilient and everyone was pulling together. There has been some very creative stuff done and building up our spiritual life. The Good Friday service was outstanding. Thanks to Mike Cooke who put it together. We have done more than just exist but grown in ministry. There is goodwill in abundance. Denise has particular skills which will be useful in outreach.

14 ANY OTHER BUSINESS – There was no other business to discuss.

Thanks were expressed to all the churchwardens, Clare, Rosemary and Mike C.
Meeting closed at 8.30pm.

This is to certify that this is a true record of proceedings.

Chair of Yatton Moor PCC at the 2026 APCM: 13th May 2026

Priest in Charge Report for Parish of Yatton Moor 29th July 2025 – 31st December 2025

I and my family arrived in the Parish of Yatton Moor to excitement and parishioners in good heart after a vacancy of 3 years. People were vastly thoughtful, kind and generous in their warmth and welcome to us with many cards, meals, and flowers. During the Licensing rehearsal the mood of jesting and humour indicated good things to come... a community of people who enjoy laughter and fun as part of their walk with God. The Licensing evening was extremely warm in temperature and exceptionally joyful, beautifully led by Bishop Michael Beasley, Archdeacon Charlie Peer, and co Area Dean Rob Eastwood-Dewing with the help of Avril Gaunt as Bishop's chaplain for the evening and intercessor, and many others from the Parish worshipping communities and village who kindly served before, during, and after the service. The feedback from our non-Christian family was that they had never been to a service that was so wonderfully welcoming and had such a sense of joy to it. Some of us didn't depart until 11:00pm.

To acquaint me to ministry Rev John Angle shared my first 3 services, "showing me the ropes," of practice as it stood at the time. My next service was a Group Service with Cleeve and Claverham at Kingston Seymour whilst Daile was away.

I undertook the following:

Ministry:

19 regular Sunday services including 3 Harvest services

3 Remembrance Services

1 All Souls Service

3 Christingle and Crib Services

1 Candlelit Carol Service

1 Midnight Communion Service

1 Christmas Day service

9 Funerals

2 independent burials of ashes

1 Baptism meeting

4 Coffee mornings

3 Wedding Meetings

Year 4 Junior School Christmas activity with questions from children

Yatton Junior School Year 6 Carol Service

1 Yatton Infants School Grand Reopening

1 new Civic ashes-only burial ground opening

Kingston Toddler Group most weeks combined with Older People Coffee Morning

Warm Welcome often

4 Pastoral visiting's in homes and hospitals

3 Preschool story time sessions

St Mary's Advent Concert welcoming

St Mary's Preschool Christmas Play

Christingle making with Mother's Union – 250

Social:

2 Summer Teas, 2 Harvest lunches, 1 St Mary's Christmas Fayre contributing cinnamon rolls, 1 MU Christmas Coffee Morning, 1 Knit and Knatter

Oversight Responsibilities:

YM Committee meetings: 2

Yatton Moor PCC Meeting: 1

Kenn and KS Committee Meeting: 1

Finance Committee Meeting: 1

3 Preschool Meetings and 1 Higher of new Administrator

Safeguarding meetings: 3

Pastoral visiting/individual meetings: 4

Yatton Primary School Board Meetings: 2

Yatton United Charity Meetings: 2

Portishead Deanery Meetings: 2

Portishead Clergy Deanery meetings: 2

Methodist Clergy meetings: 2

Bell Tower AGMs: 2

2 Mother's Union meetings: 2

5 Zoom Team Morning Prayer Northumbria Community sessions

4 Advent Study Fullness of Joy bible study sessions led by Leonie

2 Safeguarding potential issues

Administration:

Readings Rotas 1

Diary meetings with Clare – most Mondays

Diary Meetings with Clare & Daile - once monthly

1 Joint Churchwardens meeting w/Cleeve & Claverham & 1 Lunch

2 Steering Group Meetings

1 Kingston Seymour Friends Meeting

Kenn Service PowerPoints -revised or created: 7

Review and updated or updating orders of service for regular Holy Communion services, all seasonal and Christmas Services.

Training:

Intentionally Intergenerational Training

Rural Forum

Pre-Advent Retreat Day -Cardinal Timothy Radcliffe

Archdeacon's Parish Visit & Ministerial Development Review (MDR) 3 yearly – 6 months into post.

Archdeacon Charlie Peer visited in September and expressed positive strengths about our parish.

Firstly, the parish seemed to be in good heart, practically and spiritually with a priest in charge and people who are a good fit for each other. Secondly, our worshipping communities can achieve a great deal together because of who we are as a worshipping community.

Brothers and sisters, we must look forward. I encourage you to “Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up, do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.” Is 43:18-19

We will continue to address lack of spiritual and practical growth, fabric, finance, and other challenges together. However, God is at work amongst us going into 2026, enabling new prayers, new works and new things that will bear fruit to glorify Him. Alleluia!

Revd Denise Calverley
Yatton Moor Priest in Charge

Lay Ministry Report for All Saints' during 2025 - For APM and Benefice APCM

I have been privileged to lead a variety of services during the past year:

- Six "All Together" services at All Saints' in January (Epiphany), March, April, May, July and September.
- Morning Prayer at St Mary's in February (Candlemas) and St Barnabas (February).

I have also given a Reflection at several Holy Communion services at All Saints' (May, August, November) and led Café Church at Cleeve (June).

During 2025 I also led three series of Bible studies in the New Room, Kenn: one in Lent ("Living Hope"), one in the early autumn ("The Problem with Prayer") and one in Advent ("Fullness of Joy").

My Bishop's Commendation is in the process of being renewed.

Leonie Allday, Lay Worship Assistant

St John's LPA Report

Over the last year I have worked as a Lay Parishioner [Pastoral] Assistant in the parish.

My specific role has been to support members of the congregation and others when they are struggling, bereaved or dealing with illness.

I have done this by multiple home visits, hospital visits and by phone. I have also taken occasional home Holy Communion to those who have requested it.

I liaise with Denise and the Church Wardens to keep the information flowing.

I am fortunate enough to have been able to renew my Commendation this year and hope to support our parishioners and wider community for the next three years.

Jenny Pascoe

Administration Office Report for 2025

The Office continues to be the centre of communication and administration across all 5 churches. This report will concentrate on our role for the 3 churches of Yatton Moor (Kenn, Kingston Seymour and Yatton). The year starts with the finalising of account details for the year ending 31st December 2024 including the final quarterly return of the Statutory Parochial Fees for the Diocese. The new Fees applicable from 1st January 2025 are also collated for office use and communicated out to all relevant parties.

Tasks include responding to Emails, answering the phone, acting as a receptionist for St Mary's Pre-School and other visitors, printing and photocopying numerous posters, leaflets, forms, reports, booklets, service-sheets, hymn words, pewsheets, service lists, and magazines, including some laminating where required, occur regularly. We are grateful to all those involved in producing these documents and try to present them in the best way possible. Some of these go on to be included in the weekly Email sent out to over 200 email addresses across the 5 churches.

We ensure that additional copies of these documents are available/displayed in our churches and constantly try to keep these up to date especially in and around St Mary's church - on her noticeboards and display areas within the church - to try and attract interest from visitors and keep our congregations informed. We help prepare some of the details for service lists and readings details plus many other documents.

Our thanks are extended to all those people who make the effort to come to Yatton and collect copies for their churches.

We are sometimes the first point of contact for enquiries regarding arranging a Funeral, Weddings, Baptisms, the reading of Banns and these need to be followed up and arrangements put in place especially for Funerals at St Mary's. We also receive applications for churchyard monuments and enquiries concerning church records of these occasional offices and our churchyard/burial records, which need investigation and a response.

Early 2025 saw the preparations for a New Electoral Roll and the sending out of invitations to those on the previous roll to renew their application and the help of churchwardens, and others, to identify and invite new congregation members to join, if they so wished. Our thanks to Jill and Michael Earle for their help with this and for compiling the final list for the APCM.

Office stationery and supplies for the functions of the Chapter House and St Mary's church are constantly monitored and replenished, as we also receive a number of enquiries and bookings for the use/hire of these facilities by outside organisations for events and meetings as well as the regular use by our internal groups and the Pre-School.

Following the APCM there are updates and submissions required to the Deanery and Diocese with details of the election of Churchwardens, the Treasurer and PCC Members including the submission of our Annual Report and Financial Statements and various details to the Charity Commission as we are a registered charity.

There were 5 Yatton Moor PCC Meetings in 2025 and my thanks goes to all those who provide reports for these meetings and those who attend them.

There is a constant flow of information between the office and the Treasurer and her Assistant Treasurers regarding payments of expenses, invoices and statutory fees. We are extremely grateful to Karen Baber, Barbara Bachtold and Michael Earle as well as Robert Manley, Mike Cooke, Val Dickens and Ann Long, as well as the 5 churchwardens, for helping us "keep the show on the road" this year.

There are many times of the year when our administrative services are in peak demand – an example of this is around All Souls' Day and Remembrance Sunday. Relatives, of all those for whom we have held a funeral or been involved in the arrangements following the passing of their loved one, are contacted and invited to attend what has been called the "Service for the Remembrance of Loved Ones." Lists are compiled of the names of these and additional names are added by members of our congregations and others, a service sheet is prepared (by a member of the clergy) it is collated and numerous copies printed off, arrangements are coordinated to ensure all parties involved are prepared for their role on the day and the final list of names is printed.

During this time invitations are also sent out to our Ecumenical partners to invite them to take part in the Remembrance Sunday Service at Rock Road War Memorial in Yatton, as well as invites to many local groups and uniformed organisations to attend and take part in the Remembrance service in St Mary's church before this War Memorial Service.

Massive thanks and appreciation to Rosemary West who has been a godsend in assisting with the office tasks and covering for me whilst I take annual leave. She is a fantastic support and I am especially grateful that she also ably carries out the role of Minute Taker and helps me collate all the paperwork for the PCC meetings and the APCM.

Thanks also to all those who quietly, behind the scenes, keep in contact to ensure I haven't disappeared under the mounds of paperwork that are generated in the office.

Special mention goes to Denise for being a breath of fresh air in the life of Yatton Moor – your support and prayers are much appreciated – thank you. I look forward to continuing to develop our working relationship and assisting you in all your endeavours. God bless.

Clare Attrill

Administrator and Yatton Moor PCC Secretary

Electoral Roll 2026

"There were 154 on the New Electoral Roll dated 17 April 2025. During the period since publication, four people have sadly passed away and twelve individuals have been added to the roll. This brings the total to 162 on the Electoral Roll as at 29th April 2026."

The breakdown across the 3 churches is 36 for Kenn, 44 for Kingston Seymour and 82 for Yatton.

Safeguarding Report for 2025 to APCM on 13th May 2026

The Safeguarding team, on behalf of the PCC, works within the Church of England, House of Bishops, guidelines. The Church of England Safeguarding Dashboard is a tool to ensure this happens. It keeps track of what has been done and sets out an action plan of the next steps. During the year the PCC gave approval for the Services Agreement with ClearlySimpler, another dashboard tool.

We are strongly supported by the Diocesan Safeguarding Team and also the out of hours, Thirtyone:Eight service. The DST had a major audit at the end of 2025 and the feedback was very positive for them.

Our own Safeguarding team, PSOs, representing all 5 churches, has continued to meet regularly throughout the year, latterly with Denise as well. We are grateful for her input, and assurance of not hesitating to contact her in a situation that we might be unable to deal with ourselves.

The Parish Safeguarding Officers have all renewed their Leadership Training during the year. We also held a well attended Basic Training session for church members across the 5 churches, to be followed up with the Foundation stage now in the Spring. We discussed Domestic Abuse Awareness and how to offer this at parish level.

There have been 5 DBS checks in 2025, all returned with no blemishes.

We continue to be grateful that we can share the workload together, and the strong relationship and support for each other that this brings.

Ann Long (St Mary's, Yatton)

Julia Bush (St John's, Kenn)

Sue Thomas (All Saints', Kingston Seymour)

Jeannie Osmond (St Barnabas, Claverham and Holy Trinity, Cleeve)

Report on St Mary's Pre-School Year 2025 – 2026

We welcomed a new chair to our Pre-School committee. We had 15 children stay on from the previous academic year, having 15 children leave to go to local schools. September 2025 saw us starting the academic year with our extended hours which has proved very successful and hopefully ensured our future. Most days 75% of the children stay on for a full day. Going through from September we have added to our numbers as time has gone on. The number of children on the roll will be 27 after Easter with several of the new intake staying full time.

We lost a very valued member of staff at Christmas when Judy [Berry] retired, with over 40 years' service to Pre-School, and welcomed our new administrator, Cara.

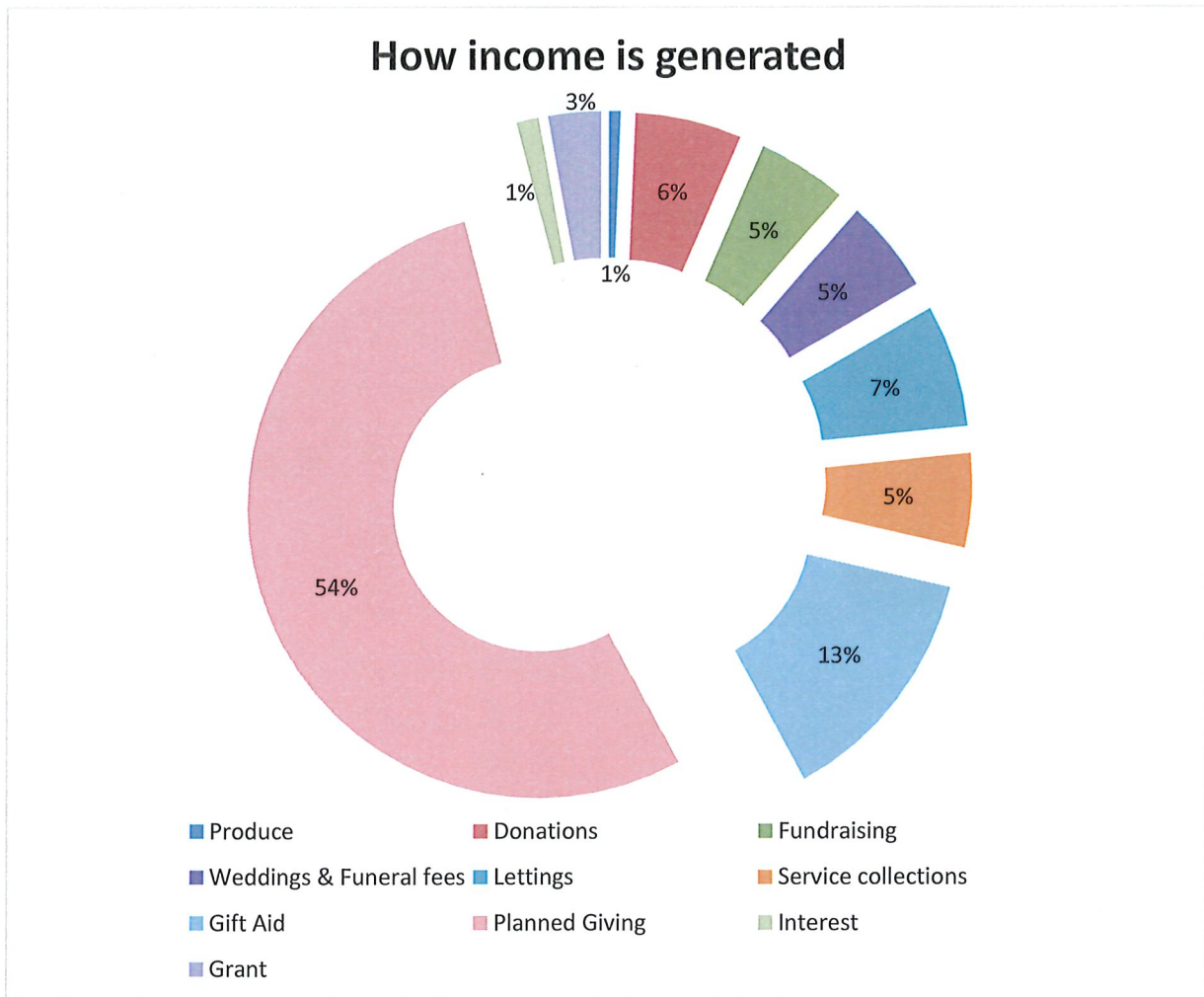
The children enjoy learning through the various topics we cover. Such as "In the Garden", "Hibernating Animals", "Christmas", "Chinese New Year" (where the children had the opportunity to use chop sticks), watching caterpillars transform into butterflies and then releasing them. All the children's learning the parents can access on Tapestry to view photographs and review the topics.

Going forward we are looking to expand activities in our outdoor area by applying for a grant from Yatton United Charities. We hope we can get the tree by the outdoor play area trimmed back as this is proving to be a real problem with bird droppings. We have children that suffer from Pica an eating disorder where they eat things that are not food.

We are in the process of gathering evidence to send to North Somerset Environmental Protection for their reaction as we have tried the ground maintenance team and got nowhere. It was suggested to me to contact them with a view to getting North Somerset to do something about the tree bearing in mind that a branch recently has also come down.

Financial Commentary

The Financial Statements show a small general fund deficit of £2,064 before the unrealised gain on the M&G investment. This is a far better result than budgeted for as there were a number of one-off donations. The chart below shows how income is generated, with over half coming from planned giving and the majority of this is gift aid eligible which gives us an additional 25% from the UK Government. The lettings have increased this year as the St Mary's Pre-School has extended its day. There have been a number of one-off donations to cover the projected deficit budget and also the roof works at All Saints Church. The fundraising events have been well attended by the wider community.



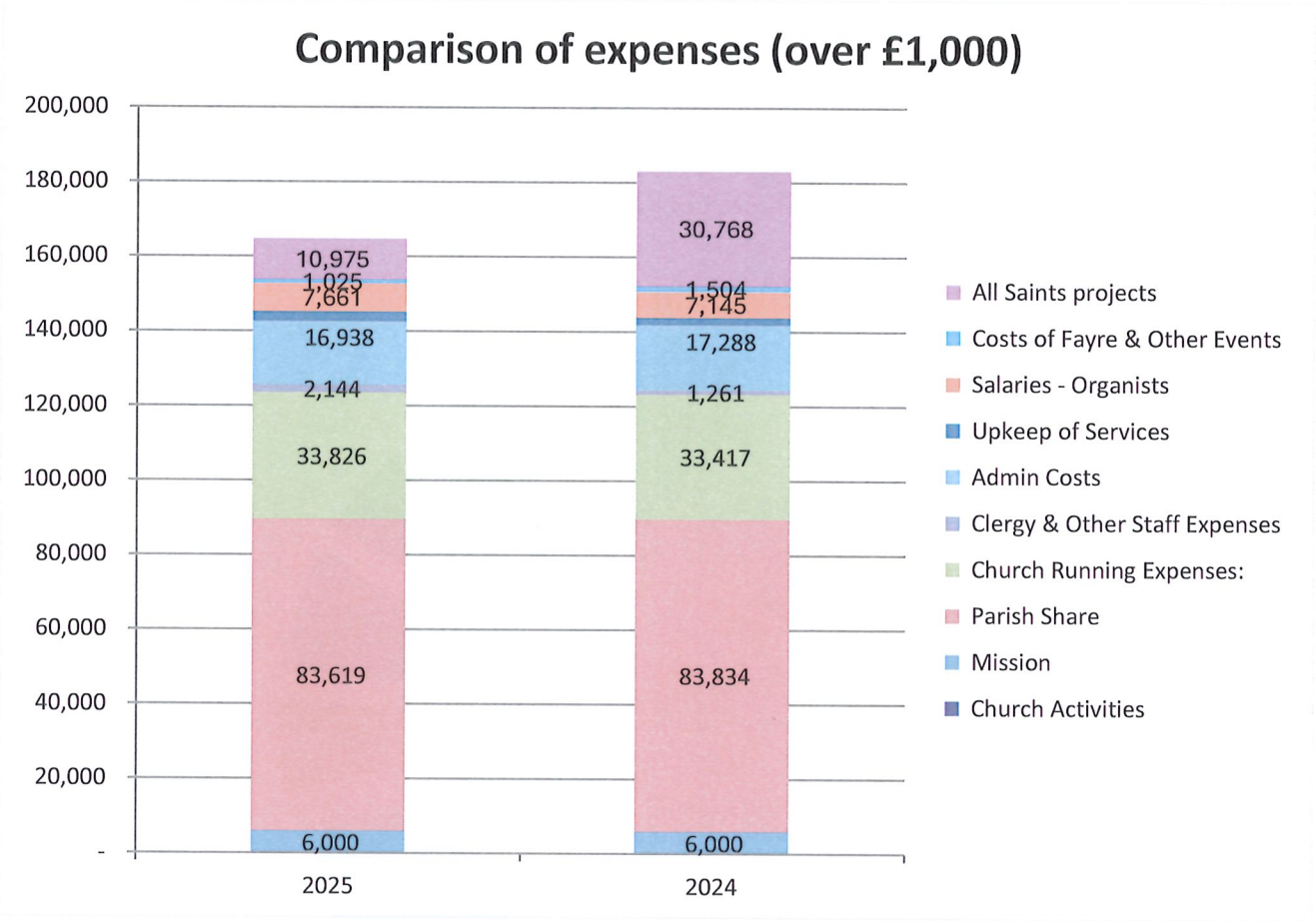
The restricted funds have received a number of donations for the 3 churches as well as 2 legacies for St Mary's.

Normal expenditure for the year has remained static, however expenditure as a whole has decreased due to the exceptional repair work for All Saints roof in 2024.

We have paid our Parish Share in full however we benefited from 7 months of vacancy discount for the year.

Mission Giving remained at 5% of general fund giving and was paid to a mixture of UK and overseas charities. The electric and gas costs remained high as we were tied into a 3 year contract which ends in March 2026.

Minor repairs have been carried out in the 3 churches. The graph below compares total general fund expenditure for the 2 years.



St Mary’s pre-school is a designated fund and runs independently to the 3 Churches. The Pre-School made a loss of £4,973 for the year however this is the first year of opening for a full day, not just mornings. The PCC waived the afternoon Chapter House hire fees for the Spring term 2025.

The balance sheet remains in a strong position with unrestricted cash of £91,625 and restricted cash of £155,001 which will allow the 3 Churches to meet their running costs, and any repair works for the next financial year.

St John the Evangelist, Kenn - Church Wardens' Annual Report for 2025

St John's is open daily, a quiet space for thought and prayer. Service attendance remained stable over the year, with a few new faces, balanced by some 'Goodbyes' to faithful members of the congregation. We miss Renee Stowell, stalwart of the Altar Guild, WI and all things Kenn. Likewise, Geoff Marchant, long time ringer and keeper of our bell, which, to our delight is rung by Eleanor before Communion Services. Stability was maintained with the service rota largely unchanged, Holy Communion twice a month, with an 'All Together' service led alternately by clergy and laity. Coffee after 'All Together' is a welcome chance for folk to chat, sometimes for nearly as long as the service! John Ball trained up Sam Hibbs to use the screen and sound system, which have greatly enhanced our services.

The New Room was 20 years old in April and we were pleased to see it used more frequently (at last) for church meetings, charity coffee mornings, Bible Studies and village groups. We were saddened by the death of Sotiris Papasolomontos at his home in Cyprus and were pleased to have his funeral and burial at St John's in May. Slowly, slowly progress was made on the proposals for a new door and level entrance. Plans were still to be produced re the display of the old door and to make more space for inclusive access.

Over many months, members of the St John's congregation were active in recreating the advertisement for the position of new Priest-in-charge of Yatton Moor, and the subsequent 'Meet and Greet Day' and interview in March. On Maundy Thursday we met to 'Break Bread' with our MP Tessa Munt, as suggested by Christian Aid. We celebrated a joyous Easter Communion in the church beautifully decorated once again by the Altar Guild and guest arrangers. After a long and eventful Vacancy, we were glad when the Rev Denise Calverley was licensed as Priest-in-Charge of the Yatton Moor Benefice at the end of July and thrilled when Denise took her first Communion Service in Kenn in early August. Members of all 5 churches attended and enjoyed coffee and cake after the service. Our Harvest service was taken by Denise, our preacher was Ann Hatton, from The Ripple Effect Charity. Once again, the church looked splendid, with beautiful arrangements of Fruit and Veg thanks to the Altar Guild, and various bits of old farming and dairy equipment. Our Harvest Meal was a joint ticketed event with the people of Kingston Seymour, held in their Village Hall. We hope to reciprocate in 2026. We held a well-attended Remembrance Service on the 9th of November, and our Quinquennial Survey soon followed - nothing disastrous to report. Robin Mackay died in early November, an event felt by the whole village. His memorial/thanksgiving service took place on 27th December.

As the autumn moved on and we looked back on the year, we felt very fortunate to have come through another year in which St John's has been able to worship week by week so calmly. This was thanks to the clergy who led our weekly worship and took the occasional offices and members of the laity who supported our services. At the same time, an army of volunteers cleaned the church, mowed the grass, put out the bins, opened and shut the toilet (every day) and did a hundred 'little jobs' to maintain the building so beautifully, which in turn makes it available for anyone to use and enjoy. THANK YOU ALL.

Our annual Posada set off around the village at the beginning of December, its progress charted by posts on the village Facebook page, then Carols on the Green, which formed a tribute to Robin who, with Marianna, had hosted this event for many years. Denise took our services in December, introducing many new themes, all including chocolate! The last Sunday of the year is our Patronal Festival, latterly it's become squeezed out by post-Christmas exhaustion, but Rev John Angle helped us once again with our last Holy Communion Service of 2025. Who knows what 2026 will bring?

St John the Evangelist, Kenn - Annual Fabric Report for 2025

Quinquennial Inspection

Took place on 7th November with nothing disastrous to report.

Maintenance / Minor repairs

Minor repairs were carried out to the toilet in January and in September.

Full details of works undertaken are recorded in the Log Book which can be inspected by appointment.

Door / Level Entrance

Progress was made on the proposals for a new door and level entrance. Plans are still to be produced re the display of the old door and to make more space for inclusive access.

Screen / Sound System

The screen and sound system have greatly enhanced the services. John Ball has trained Sam Hibbs to use them.

Churchyard

There has been one burial and one interment of ashes in the churchyard during the year.

New Room /Toilet

The New Room was 20 years old in April and is being used more frequently (at last) for church meetings, charity coffee mornings, Bible Studies and village groups.

The toilet is open daily for use by any passers-by.

March 2026.

All Saints' Churchwarden's Report to APCM on 13th May 2026

The year began still in vacancy, managing services with the wonderful help from our visiting clergy, Avril and Leonie. A huge thank you to everyone and their huge help.

Our service pattern included All Together services, mostly taken by Leonie, which we have been very pleased some children have attended. Thank you Leonie for the enormous amount of support you have given us. The other services have been an 8.30am traditional communion taken by Avril and again, thank you for all you have done to keep this service going. A popular one for some parishioners who may not be able to go to any other service in a month. A very special time with Avril. Thank you for all you do. The mid month Holy Communion service on the 3rd Sunday of the month, has been taken by retired visiting clergy and it is always a joy to have them return. A huge thank you to everyone, a special thanks to John Angle, Bishop Alastair, Avril and Peter Bailey.

The congregation numbers have been really consistent throughout the year and lovely to welcome newcomers and visitors to the services.

Mothering Sunday and Easter Day were well attended with a warm family atmosphere and spiritual light. The Easter Egg Hunt for the children always loved by the children.

Cream Teas started for the season on Easter Day and Monday, with a very good crowd on both days. Always lovely to welcome visitors into our church to share cream teas and enjoy the atmosphere. The Cream Teas were held then on the first Sunday of each month up to and including September.

The churchyard tidy group started in early Spring, meeting every couple of months through the Summer, keeping our lovely churchyard tidy. A big thank you to Margaret and Anthony Hawks for over seeing this, and to Sue Lang for her lovely coffee and cake to keep everyone going. A real time of fellowship both in the work outside and the social time in the break. Many thanks to all who came along to give the churchyard a tidy and make it look so special.

Another special event was the Fleece Fair at Mendip View Farm. A lovely day was spent in the orchard with many country activities being displayed. Thank you to Caroline and Sam Harris for holding this on their property. All proceeds going to the General Fund.

The Friends of All Saints have been very busy raising funds for the structure of the church, and especially the Chancel and Vestry roof. The Quiz is being one of the main and well attended events in the village.

Our Flower Guild have been busy throughout the past year keeping our church looking lovely. From Easter to Harvest, Patronal, Remembrance and Christmas and all year through keeping the rota up to date. Our grateful thanks to everyone who give of their time and expertise to make the church look bright and cheerful.

Thanks to Sue Lang for her continued work for the Numbers Club. This is now a thriving source of income for the General Fund. Approximately £4000 has been raised this year for the General Fund. Now being enjoyed by all who partake in the monthly draw. Thank you too, to Steve Dixon, the Parish Clerk, for being the independent organiser and co-ordinator for the draw each month.

We held a Songs of Praise, led by Mike Cooke on April 27th. A most uplifting service with tea and cake afterwards. Thank you to Mike for arranging this for us. This service was also attended by people from the wider group in the parish.

Summer came with a Strawberry Tea at Anita and Richard Simmons. This occasion has always been held especially for the 'older' generation of the village to enjoy an afternoon tea and social gathering in the garden of Yew Tree Farm. The funds for this were given to charity but the afternoon of fellowship of friends around the village was really special. Thanks to Anita and Richard for their wonderful hospitality and to all the younger volunteers who made the afternoon so enjoyable.

There was an Open Tower afternoon in aid of installing the rope guides. This was a well attended afternoon and people were able to have tea and cake and go up the tower as well.

A very special day came on 30th July when we celebrated the licensing of our new Priest in Charge, Rev Denise Calverley. This took place at St Mary's, a really lovely welcome to her and the beginning of our fellowship and guidance with her.

Harvest Lunch was held in the village hall on September 21st, a joint venture with St John's, Kenn. A lovely joining of our parishes, celebrating harvest with a lovely meal, catered for by Scottie, now a regular visitor to our celebrations. Thank you again for all the help in preparation for this and tidying up afterwards. This now leads on to our Harvest on October 6th and our service, a very memorable and enjoyable service.

The later part of the year covered our Patronal service and Remembrance Day service which started as usual at the War Memorial at the Triangle. These services were well attended and we thank Denise for taking the Remembrance Service and Ed Brookes who made a moving tribute to all serving in our armed forces.

The lead up to Christmas was very busy with services from our lovely candlelit Christingle, well attended with smiling children's faces lit up in the candlelight. Next was the Carol Service, always a very special date in our Christmas calendar. Again a candle lit service and very well attended. A new venture was singing carols in a barn at Anita and Richard's farm in Yew Tree Lane. We enjoyed music accompaniment, hot dogs and a small bar from the support of the village hall. It was a really jolly time, even the cattle in the background were joining in. The small funds raised from this went between the Food Bank and Children's Society, as did the funds from the Christmas Meal on 10th December. Again really well supported and enjoyed by all who came from the village and our wider Group. Thank you again to the caterer who provided an amazing Christmas meal for us all.

All in all a very busy year for us, filled with wonderful events and fellowship for us all.

Judy Seward

Kingston Seymour Bellringers Report for 2025

This year we have been successful in ringing all six bells for almost every service throughout the year. We currently have nine active ringers who are all members of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Guild of Change Ringers. We benefit from the support of ringers from neighbouring towers, particularly St. Andrew's Clevedon and St. Mary's Yatton, and on Sundays Long Ashton. Some of us attend their practices, and also monthly meetings of our local Chew Branch of the Association.

Our Ringing Master, Will Rogers, has ensured that James Travis and Majeed are making good progress in the early stages of Change Ringing, and James Saunders is taking his first steps too. To ensure resilience if the two most experienced members are away, Ian Norton and Majeed Travis have now learnt to conduct Call Changes.

We did not have an outing this year, though we did have an excellent supper at Brent House in place of the Holy Week practice. (This will be repeated in 2026!)

Our major project has been to progress towards getting a Rope Guide installed. The PCC have obtained a faculty for this, and we have appointed a contractor. With the help generous donations and grants, we were able to place the order, the expectation being March/April 2026. To this end, we held a very successful Open Day in September, with Tower Tours, demonstrations and exhibits. The excellent team work raised £400 on the day, followed up by a good many donations. Our PCC treasurer pays a small annual Affiliation Fee to the Bath and Wells Association, which ensures our eligibility for a grant from their Bell Support Fund. They have offered us a generous £1,000 towards the Rope Guide.

General maintenance has been carried out during the year, by our Tower Keeper Ian, assisted by Will, Ken, James Travis and Majeed. This will continue as necessary in the coming year.

John Pilkington
Tower Captain

St Mary's Churchwarden's 2025 Report to APCM

The year to April has been largely positive. The most important highlight has been the appointment of Denise as priest at the end of July. We are reappportioning tasks and responsibilities accordingly and already have reintroduced morning prayer around the benefice as we review what worship we offer.

We have, during the course of the year, lost some old friends and added a few new ones. Our regular worshippers are up by 6 so we are heading in a good direction.

During the year we hosted 15 funerals, and 2 services of thanksgiving for parishioners who have died. We have held 4 baptisms and 2 weddings.

Our links with Yatton school s strong. Along with Yatton Methodist Church the benefice provides leaders for "Open the Book"; familiarising and educating pupils with and about the bible. We also have hosted 5 special services for the school for notable dates in the church calendar and for those leaving primary education in August. The services are always enthusiastically received by the children and attending adults and remain a vital and revitalising aspect of our ministry in the community. In addition to worship, we also open the church to pupils to visit the bell tower and the rest of the building and give them the opportunity to look at the vestments and silver and other interesting features.

We held 7 special or festal services during the year, including a couple of Evensongs to terminate Open Days, and a day dedicated to the bells and bell ringers. The Recessional played on handbells by seriously talented musicians is a magical experience.

We also continue to host monthly music recitals of high quality in association with Yatton Music Society and had a couple of fundraising concerts held by our own chorale.

The church is in good health and looks set to continue to be highly relevant to the community we serve.

John Dickinson 30/3/2026

Yatton & Winscombe Chorale 2025

The Yatton & Winscombe Chorale, founded by the Revd Ian Hubbard, continues under his direction as an outreach organisation of the PCC, and attracts members from across the Group area and further afield. In 2025, it put on three concerts in St. Mary's Church, including "Music for Easter" in April and an "Advent Celebration" in November; both concerts were accompanied by Andrew Kirk and involved the full Chorale, as well as smaller groups; the third concert featured Chorale soprano Rachael Cooper, accompanied by Sue Parker. Taken together, these concerts raised **£645** for the Friends of Bristol Haematology & Oncology Centre as well as **£1,225** for church funds.

MOTHERS' UNION REPORT for 2025

Mothers' Union continues to thrive with regular attendees of approximately 14 members plus visitors for each monthly meeting.

We continue to support our link diocese in prayer. The theme in 2025 being join in, join up.

Our link diocesan news and other news is displayed on our atrium notice board. We contributed £711.00 towards global projects in 2025, included in this amount was £165.00 raised at our annual summer tea Summer of Hope and used for the Democratic Republic of Congo to buy seeds to enable families to provide food for their families.

Our very interesting monthly talks ranged from a quiet meditation with Avril Gaunt to Sue, a member, talking about her experiences working for the Crown Jewellers, A Life in Grime by Tony Lewis and a Keep Fit Session entitled Use it or lose it.

Transport remains a problem as only a few of our members still drive but we managed to get to our friends in Cleeve MU for a Pancake Lunch, World Wide Lunch and to Cadbury Garden Centre for a delicious cream tea. We contribute to the life of St. Mary's by organising and making Mothering Sunday posies and cards, assembling the Easter Garden and Christmas stable scene, and contributing money and prizes for the Christmas Fayre.

We continue to pray for all our members especially those whose health is becoming a burden; visiting when we can.

In 2026 we shall be celebrating 150 years of Mothers' Union. So watch this space...

Shiela Chenoweth - M.U. Secretary [Yatton]

St Mary's Catering/Coffee/Cakes for 2025

Our monthly Saturday mornings continue to go from strength to strength. They were started many years ago by Beryl Heeney with the aim of inviting people on their own to have a place to meet others. It still fulfils that intention, and we get many people from outside the church family attending. All takings are donations and initially at the end of each year Beryl and I choose a local charity to receive the takings for that year. All donations go into the pot as all the cakes are donated by the bakers. However, now we have to decide at the beginning of the year where the money will go and this year the team suggested it goes to COSMIC with the intention that it goes towards something specific which generally encourages people to give more generously! A notice is now displayed that funds will go towards replacing our heating system which is in dire need.

Our coffee & tea refreshments after Sunday services continue to do well; in fact, since we have put tables out (started after Covid), people are tending to stay longer to enjoy companionship with the congregation.

Val Dickens
March 2026

St Mary's Warm Welcome Report

Warm Welcome has now been operating since January 2022, on a Wednesday afternoon 3:30 – 5:30pm during term time, and has proved to be successful. Each session is run by two volunteers providing basic activities, refreshments and a place to chat. Specific activities such as table tennis, cake decorating, card/flower making and knitting have been well received. The number of parents/grandparents attending with children has dropped to a small core of 3 mums/dads and 4 children. On a couple of occasions there have been no attendees, although the WhatsApp group has proved useful in managing this now.

The number of volunteers available has fluctuated but we continue to be grateful to those that give of their time. It may be time to revitalise and re-launch WW, taking account of the availability of volunteers, encouraging a wider number of participants across all ages.

The parents do really appreciate a place to come and chat, relax and sometimes have a quiet chat for support.

Portishead Deanery Report 2025

We met, as usual, four times in 2025; two of the meetings (June and November) were deanery-wide meetings, open to anyone to attend, while the March and September meetings were full Synods.

March – This Synod was held at Holy Trinity Nailsea and saw the approval of the 2024 Deanery accounts as well as an interesting talk by Jenny Hollingsworth, Bath & Wells Diocesan Secretary with the unusual opportunity to ask questions directly to the Diocese’s CEO.

June – The venue for this Deanery-wide meeting was the Church of the Ascension, Keedwell. It was a very well-attended meeting and we heard a fascinating talk from Andrew Halestrap, the Emeritus Professor of Biochemistry at Bristol University. Andrew gave a talk called “Faith in Science” and spoke about the relationship between science and his Christian faith.

September – The September Synod took place at St George’s Church Hall, Easton-in-Gordano, and provided an opportunity for Synod members to meet each other and encouraged good conversation. It also saw Caroline Edwards being introduced as the new Deanery Secretary as well as being the Portishead Co-Area Deans and Lay Dean's PA, taking over from Rob Norman, who has been the Acting Deanery Secretary since Lesley Farrall resigned in September 2020. Caroline’s email address is portishead.deanery1@gmail.com

November – The venue for the November Deanery-wide meeting was St Mary’s, Walton and saw a riveting presentation by Mary Colwell, who is an environmentalist, author and producer who previously worked for the BBC Natural History Unit. The presentation was called “Conservation, Spirituality and Faith”, and made us think about wildlife conservation. The meeting also heard about the fact that St Michael & All Angels (Flax Bourton) had recently been awarded a Gold Award as an Eco Church from A Rocha.

We have enjoyed having Assistant Diocesan Secretary Peter Evans as our Deanery Accompanier and Claire Horton, the Bath Archdeaconry Deanery & Parish Adviser, has also been very helpful. The Deanery Mission & Pastoral Group has met every two months throughout 2025 while the Deanery Leadership Team has met every month, where possible.

We want to express our gratitude to the clergy and officials of all the deanery churches for their hard work and commitment during this year, especially to those churches which have been in vacancy.

Rob Norman (Lay Dean)

Astrid Tiesema-Samsom (Co-Area Dean)

Rob Eastwood Dewing (Co-Area Dean)

January 2026

Yatton Moor Parish

Independent Examiners Report

For the year ended 31 December 2025

I report on the accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2025 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes.

This report is made solely to the trustees in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the PCC those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees for my examination work.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Members of the PCC are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under Section 145 of the Charities Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Elaine Coe, ACA

Eastleigh, Southampton, SO50 9JD

Date: 13 May 2026

Yatton Moor Parish

Statement of Financial Activities

For the year ended 31 December 2025

	Note	General Fund £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	All Funds 2025 £	All Funds 2024 £
Income							
Donations and legacies	2	132,902	-	43,452	-	176,354	195,393
Charitable activities	3	20,716	74,127	-	-	94,843	69,721
Other trading activities	4	8,128	-	799	-	8,927	20,898
Investments	5	2,028	622	2,401	-	5,051	4,642
		163,774	74,749	46,652	-	285,175	290,654
Expenditure							
Church activities	6	164,813	79,722	13,121	-	257,656	(248,264)
Raising Funds	6	1,025	-	-	-	1,025	(1,886)
		165,838	79,722	13,121	-	258,681	(250,150)
Net operating (loss)/income		(2,064)	(4,973)	33,531	-	26,494	40,504
Net unrealised gain	12	1,786	-	-	-	1,786	262
Net (loss)/income for the year		(278)	(4,973)	33,531	-	28,280	40,766
Reconciliation of funds							
Total funds brought forward		120,207	24,702	124,359	1,700	270,968	230,202
Total Funds carried forward		119,929	19,729	157,890	1,700	299,248	270,968

All of the above results are derived from continuing activities. There are no other recognised gains or losses other than those stated above.

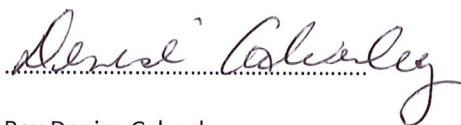
Yatton Moor Parish

Balance Sheet

For the year ended 31 December 2025

	Note	General Fund	Designated Funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	All funds 2025	All funds 2024
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets							
Plant and equipment	11	1,491	2,447	2,447	-	6,385	7,615
Investments	12	12,093	-	-	-	12,093	10,307
		13,584	2,447	2,447	-	18,479	17,922
Current assets							
Stock		3,222	-	-	-	3,222	2,597
Debtors	13	25,254	220	658	-	26,132	21,367
Deposits	14	72,106	10,470	77,711	1,700	161,987	108,429
Cash and cash equivalents	14	19,519	7,164	77,290	-	103,973	131,242
		120,618	17,854	155,971	1,700	295,314	263,635
Current liabilities							
Creditors & accruals	15	(13,756)	(572)	(216)	-	(14,544)	(10,589)
		(13,756)	(572)	(216)	-	(14,544)	(10,589)
Net assets		119,929	19,729	157,890	1,700	299,249	270,968
Funds							
Balance at 1 January 2025		120,207	24,702	124,359	1,700	270,968	230,202
Net movements in Funds		(278)	(4,973)	33,531	-	28,280	40,766
Total Funds		119,929	19,729	157,890	1,700	299,248	270,968

The Financial Statements of Yatton Moor PCC on 30 to 43 were approved by the PCC on the 13th May 2026 and signed on its behalf by:



Rev Denise Calverley

Priest in Charge



Karen Baber

Treasurer

Yatton Moor Parish

Notes to the Financial Statements

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a. Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities:

Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The charity has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these Financial Statements, as permitted by FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland':

- the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

Public benefit exemption

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102

b. Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

For legacies, entitlement is taken as the earlier of the date on which either: the charity is aware that probate has been granted, the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the Trust that a distribution will be made, or when a distribution is received from the estate. Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably and the charity has been notified of the executor's intention to make a distribution.

Gift Aid receivable is included in income where there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount received on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless specified otherwise.

c. Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

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d. Fixed Assets

Items of equipment are capitalised where the purchase price exceeds £500.

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write down the cost of the asset to its estimated residual value over its expected useful life. The economic useful lives are as follows:

Furniture, fittings and equipment - 5 years straight line
Fencing – 10 years straight line

e. Stock

Stock is included at the lower of costs or net realisable value.

f. Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less.

g. Financial Instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

h. Taxation

All the Charity's income is applied to its charitable objectives and the Charity is, therefore, exempt under current legislation from most forms of taxation.

i. Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the Trustees. The charity's general funds consist of funds which the charity may use for its purposes at its discretion.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for a particular purpose.

Endowment Funds are funds for a specific purpose where only the income can be used.

j. Creditors

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably.

k. Pensions

All employees, who meet the criteria, are enrolled into the auto-enrolment pension scheme.

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2. INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	General Fund £	St Mary's Pre-School £	Restricted Funds £	All Funds 2025 £	All Funds 2024 £
Income					
Planned Giving:					
- Gift Aid	75,325	-	813	76,138	89,237
- Non Gift Aid	12,722	-	1,025	13,747	8,365
Collections at Services:					
- Gift Aid	8,481	-	60	8,541	7,296
- Non Gift Aid	-	-	100	100	-
Donations & Appeals	9,635	-	5,789	15,424	11,716
Grants	4,762	-	22,325	27,087	23,349
Gift Aid Small Donations Scheme	2,593	-	274	2,867	3,407
Gift Aid	19,384	-	584	19,968	22,476
Legacies	-	-	12,482	12,482	29,547
	132,902	-	43,452	176,354	195,393

3. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	General Fund £	St Mary's Pre-School £	Restricted Funds £	All Funds 2025 £	All Funds 2024 £
Income					
Bookstall & Bible Notes sales	142	-	-	142	170
Lettings – Church & Chapter House	11,068	-	-	11,068	8,879
Sale of goods and produce	1,033	178	-	1,211	889
Weddings/Funeral fees	8,473	-	-	8,473	4,708
Pre-School fees	-	73,949	-	73,949	55,075
	20,716	74,127	-	94,843	69,721

4. INCOME FROM OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	General Fund £	St Mary's Pre-School £	Restricted Funds £	All Funds 2025 £	All Funds 2024 £
Income					
Fund raising events and activities	8,128	-	799	8,927	20,898
	8,128	-	799	8,927	20,898

5. INVESTMENT INCOME

	General Fund £	St Mary's Pre-School £	Restricted Funds £	All Funds 2025 £	All Funds 2024 £
Income					
Dividends and interest	2,028	622	2,401	5,051	4,642
	2,028	622	2,401	5,051	4,642

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6. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE

	Note	General Fund	St Mary's Pre-School	Restricted Funds	All Funds 2025	All Funds 2024
		£	£	£	£	£
CHURCH ACTIVITIES						
<i>Gifts from PCC:</i>						
Mission – UK	11	1,650	-	155	1,805	1,650
Mission - overseas	11	3,250	-	-	3,250	3,809
Mission – secular	11	1,100	-	1,385	2,485	2,927
		6,000	-	1,540	7,540	8,386
<i>Activities relating to Church Ministry:</i>						
Parish Share		83,619	-	-	83,619	83,834
Clergy expenses		2,144	-	123	2,267	1,594
<i>Church running costs:</i>						
Light, heat, water		22,151	-	-	22,151	22,267
Insurance		6,744	-	-	6,744	6,701
Sundries		1,139	-	-	1,139	809
Maintenance & security		3,792	-	4,979	8,771	8,142
Upkeep of services		2,587	-	-	2,587	1,985
Upkeep of Churchyards		58	-	195	253	454
Bible notes		138	-	-	138	167
Support & Education		289	347	1,235	1,871	2,635
Salaries		7,661	67,520	-	75,181	52,459
Depreciation		578	326	326	1,230	1,434
St Mary's projects		-	-	780	780	800
All Saints' projects		10,975	-	1,658	12,633	30,768
		141,875	68,193	9,296	219,364	214,048
<i>Church Management & Administration</i>						
Postage, printing, stationery books, advertising		1,100	-	-	1,100	1,070
Office equipment, phone etc.		576	-	-	576	986
Playgroup expenses		-	10,930	-	10,930	7,786
Sundry expenses		373	-	-	373	315
Salaries		16,684	-	-	16,684	15,410
Professional fees		309	572	2,037	2,918	2,164
Bank charges		209	27	248	484	469
Cleeve/Claverham contributions		(2,313)	-	-	(2,313)	(2,370)
		16,938	11,529	2,285	30,752	25,830
TOTAL CHURCH ACTIVITIES		164,813	79,722	13,121	257,656	248,264
RAISING FUNDS						
Stewardship/Giving costs		315	-	-	315	290
Costs of fayre and events		710	-	-	710	1,596
		1,025	-	-	1,025	1,886
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		165,838	79,722	13,121	257,852	250,150

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7. FUND DETAILS

7a ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Endowment Funds under the PCC control	Terms	Protected Capital £	Market Value £	2025 £	2024 £
The Mrs Ford Trust	For the maintenance of St Mary's Churchyard.	1,700	1,700	73	109
				<u>73</u>	<u>109</u>

The Mrs Ford trust is not an accumulative endowment fund and the interest received does not increase the capital. The interest received is included within the Restricted Yatton Churchyard fund.

Endowment Funds under Diocesan control	Terms	Protected Capital £	Market Value £	2025 £	2024 £
Yatton Churchyard fund	For the maintenance of St Mary's Churchyard.	273	10,375	274	268
Mrs D Stuckey Trust	For the fabric of St Mary's and/or maintenance of Assistant clergy	2,000	24,276	123	333
				<u>397</u>	<u>601</u>

The income for the year relating to the two endowment funds under the Diocesan control are shown as a grant under Restricted Funds.

The Diocese transferred all investments previously held with CCLA to LGT Wealth Management, with the instruction to strengthen the capital value of the portfolio. The Yatton Stuckey Trust represents 0.3% and The Yatton Church yard funds represents 0.1% of the total capital transferred.

The capital of the funds under Diocesan control are not included in the Balance Sheet.

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7b RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Opening balance	Income	Expenditure	Closing balance
	£	£	£	£
Special Charity Collections	-	1,447	(1,447)	-
St Mary's Children's work	213	4	-	217
St John's Projects	25,311	6,957	(1,401)	30,867
All Saints' Amenities	5,404	2,059	(2,567)	4,896
All Saints' Churchyard	2,253	1,108	(5)	3,356
Parish-wide Funds	22	123	(123)	22
Sunday School Trust	16,514	282	(102)	16,694
Team Mission Fund	858	15	(2)	871
Vicar discretionary fund	846	14	(1)	859
St Mary's Care (CoSMIC)	65,564	33,283	(5,245)	93,602
St Mary's Clock	720	7	(651)	76
St Mary's Churchyard	4,868	432	(139)	5,161
St Mary's Organ-Music Fund	178	2	(180)	-
Yatton & Winscombe Chorale	1,238	913	(1,257)	894
Zambian – Kabwe Link	370	6	(1)	375
	<u>124,359</u>	<u>46,652</u>	<u>(13,121)</u>	<u>157,890</u>

Significant individual items in the above expenditure are as follows:

St Mary's Care (CoSMIC)		All Saints' Amenities	
Downpipe repair	980	Rope guides (covered by grant)	1,382
Sound system	2,233	Distribution board	900
Timbers in Chapter House	550		<u>2,282</u>
Decarbonisation survey	750		
	<u>4,513</u>		

Details of the Special Charity collections (£1,447) are set out in Note 11.

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7c DESIGNATED FUNDS

	Opening Balance	Deficit for the year	Closing Balance
	£	£	£
St. Mary's Pre-School Fund	24,702	(4,973)	19,729
	<u>24,702</u>	<u>(4,973)</u>	<u>19,729</u>

St. Mary's Pre-School Fund

Ring fenced by the PCC for the benefit of the Pre-School, and thus the fund's status is "Designated". The fund makes contributions to major repairs and capital projects which affect or benefit the Pre-School, and also the day-to-day running costs of the Chapter House.

In January 2025, the Pre-School extended its operational hours to run in line with the Infant and Junior School. The increase in hours has led to an increase in staff salaries. For the January – Easter term, St Mary's Church waived the hire charge for the Chapter House for the afternoon session.

The day-to-day management of the Pre-School is done by one of the two Pre-School Leaders under the guidance of the Management Committee and the financial control of the PCC. The extent of the surplus/ (deficit) is heavily dependent on the number of children attending and North Somerset Council funding rate.

8. STAFF COSTS & TRUSTEE REMUNERATION

	2025	2024
	£	£
Salary and wages	90,813	67,444
Organists/Choir fees included within Wedding/Funeral income	1,579	1,290
Pension contributions	1,052	425
Cleeve/Claverham contributions for Team Administrator	(2,015)	(2,094)
	<u>91,429</u>	<u>67,065</u>

No National Insurance contributions are due from the PCC as these fall within the HMRC Employment Allowance of £3,000 per annum.

The organists and choir members were paid fees for wedding and funerals at the prescribed rates and the amounts shown above have been deducted from the Weddings/Funeral fee income shown in note 3.

PCC members on occasions will act as agents for the PCC and make approved purchases on its behalf which are reimbursed, however during the year no other costs have been reimbursed to PCC members. One member of the clergy (2024: two members), who are members of the PCC, were reimbursed expenses in connection with their travel, study and office costs. These costs total £2,268 (2024: £1,594) during the year, 25% of which was reimbursed by the parish of Cleeve with Claverham.

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9. STAFF NUMBERS

The average number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2025	2024
	No.	No.
Administration	1	1
Pre School	7	7
Organists/Choirmasters	3	3
	11	11

10. MISSION GIVING

Since 1995, the PCC has set a Mission Giving level of approximately 5% of the General Fund income received from Planned Giving, Collections and the recoverable Gift Aid. In 2005, the PCC agreed that the 5% figure could be increased by up to £500 in order to meet unexpected requests. In 2025, total donations were £6,000, (2024: £6,000). Sums given through special charity collections, coffee and cake stall sales and other events sponsored by the PCC, total £1,447 (2024: £2,386).

	PCC "5%"	Special		PCC "5%"	Special
Home Mission			Other Agencies		
Clevedon Food Bank	550	16	Caring at Christmas	-	423
Sisters of the Church	550	-	Children's Hospice South West	550	-
The Children's Society	-	139	Farming Community Network	-	167
Yatton Junior School	550	-	Friends of Bristol Haematology and Oncology Centre	-	738
	1,650	155	Royal British Legion	-	57
Overseas Mission			Yatton Youth Club	550	-
Hope Christian Trust	800			1,100	1,385
CMS	550	-			
Us. (previously USPG)	550	-			
Kabwe	550	-	2025 Total	6,000	1,540
Guatemalan Street Kids	550	-			
Ripple	800	-			
	3,250	-			

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11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	General Fund	Pre-School	Restricted Funds	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
At 1 January 2025	9,328	3,262	3,262	15,852
Additions	-	-	-	-
At 31 December 2025	9,328	3,262	3,262	15,852
Depreciation				
At 1 January 2025	7,259	489	489	8,237
Charge in the year	578	326	326	1,230
At 31 December 2025	7,837	815	815	9,467
Net Book value at 31 December 2025	1,491	2,447	2,447	6,385
Net book value at 1 January 2025	2,069	2,773	2,773	7,615

12. INVESTMENTS

	2025	2024
	£	£
M&G Charifund – 700 units	12,093	10,307
	12,093	10,307

13. DEBTORS

	General Fund	Pre-School	Restricted Funds	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Collections	1,242	-	-	1,242	-
Cleeve with Claverham contribution	2,388	-	-	2,388	2,730
Fees	-	-	-	-	1,239
Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme	-	-	-	-	6,894
Gift Aid	4,785	-	100	4,885	4,889
Gift Aid Small Donation scheme	1,328	-	183	1,511	1,359
Deposit for roof materials	7,020	-	-	7,020	-
Lettings	2,065	-	-	2,065	-
Other	6,426	220	375	7,021	4,246
	25,254	220	658	26,132	21,367

The Listed Places of Worship Grant scheme closed on 18th February 2026 as all funding was used.

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14. CASH AND DEPOSITS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Cash in hand	161,987	108,429
Deposits	103,973	131,242
	<u>265,960</u>	<u>239,671</u>

At 31 December 2025, £56,862 of the funds were held in fixed term, fixed interest accounts and £45,000 invested in two Credit Unions, as follows:

Cambridge & Counties	£15,748 at 4.65%, maturing 23/08/2027
Cambridge & Counties	£10,000 at 4.70%, maturing 24/09/2026
Hampshire Trust Bank	£32,735 at 4.55%, maturing 29/01/2026

Somerset Savings & loans £20,000

Churches Mutual Credit £25,000

Union

These represent the maximum investment permitted by a corporate body.

All remaining funds, including those of the preschool, are held in a mixture of bank accounts and short-term deposits at the Central Board of Finance of the Church of England. Three of the PCC's bank accounts are with NatWest under a special diocesan scheme.

15. LIABILITIES

	General Fund	St Mary's Pre-School	Restricted Funds	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Pre-paid wedding fees	162	-	-	162	200
Fees due to Diocese	848	-	-	848	295
Restricted collections	-	-	-	-	944
Parish Share	8,220	-	-	8,220	2,658
Repair works	73	-	-	73	222
Other	4,453	572	216	5,241	6,270
	<u>13,756</u>	<u>572</u>	<u>216</u>	<u>14,544</u>	<u>10,589</u>

16. RESERVE POLICY

It is the PCC policy to maintain reserves on the General Fund as a sufficient level, currently three months of annual expenditure, to enable it to carry out its objectives and to ensure financial continuity in the event of significant variation to income or expenditure. The balance of this fund at the year end was £120,446 (2024: £120,207) which represents six months (2024: six months) of normal expenditure; consequently the policy objective was met in 2025. At November PCC meeting, it was agreed to invest up to a third of the cash balance into a Charity Investment Fund.

The Reserves in the principal Restricted Funds are considered sufficient to meet any short-term needs but major expenditure arising from Quinquennial reports could require significant fund-raising and grant seeking.

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	General Fund		All Other Funds	
	2025 £	2024 £	2025 £	2024 £
Income				
Planned regular giving	88,047	94,402	1,838	3,200
Collections	8,481	7,296	160	200
Donations and appeals	9,635	7,038	5,789	4,678
Grants	4,762	19,999	22,325	3,350
Legacies	-	-	12,482	29,547
Tax recovered (Gift Aid)	21,977	24,243	858	1,640
Events and Activities	8,128	19,535	799	1,363
Lettings/Fees/Sale of goods	20,716	14,646	74,127	55,075
Dividends, interest, compensation	2,028	2,065	3,023	2,577
	163,774	189,224	121,401	101,430
Expenditure				
Mission Giving	(6,000)	(6,000)	(1,540)	(2,386)
Ministry – Parish Share	(83,619)	(83,834)	-	-
Ministry – Other	(2,144)	(1,261)	(123)	(333)
Running Costs	(36,898)	(33,417)	(6,756)	(6,709)
Organists & Pre-school Staff	(7,661)	(7,145)	(67,520)	(45,314)
Major repairs & depreciation	(11,553)	(31,550)	(3,090)	(1,452)
Administration/Event costs	(17,963)	(22,247)	(13,814)	(8,634)
	(165,835)	(185,454)	(92,843)	(64,696)
Net operating income	(2,064)	3,770	28,558	35,734
Net unrealised gain	1,786	262	-	-
Total (deficit)/surplus for the year	(278)	4,032	28,558	36,734
Total funds brought forward	120,207	116,175	149,061	114,027
Total Funds carried forward	119,929	120,207	177,619	149,061